

**PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS SECTION
MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 11, 2011**

PRESENT: Nancy Clark, Leslie Mirkin, Khyana Pumphrey

EXCUSED: Charles Lindsey

STAFF: Tom Ryan, Bureau Director; Colleen Baird, Legal Counsel; Kimberly Wood, Bureau Assistant and other DRL Staff

GUESTS: None.

CALL TO ORDER

Khyana Pumphrey, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. A quorum of three (3) members was present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Amendments to the Agenda:

- After Item “D” (open session) Under the item titled “Class 1 Hearing on Denial of Applications for Licensure” **REMOVE:**
 - “Hearing on the Denial of Application for the Professional Counselor Training License of Carl Sirotzki”
- After Item “D” (open session) make the following correction to the item titled “Report to the Section of the American Association of State Counseling Boards (AASCB’ 24th Annual Conference January 5-8, 2011 – Leslie ~~Mirkin~~ Mirkin”
- Item “E” (closed session) Under the item titled “Deliberation on Class 1 Hearings for Application Denials” **REMOVE:**
 - “Carl Sirotzki

MOTION: Leslie Mirkin moved, seconded by Nancy Clark, to approve the January 11, 2011 agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

SEATING OF THE SECTION OFFICERS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2011

➤ **Chair: Charles Lindsey; Vice Chair : Khyana Pumphrey; Secretary: Nancy Clark**

Noted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF OCTOBER 25, 2010

MOTION: Nancy Clark moved, seconded by Leslie Mirkin, to approve the minutes of October 25, 2010 as published. Motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Tom Ryan did not provide an administrative report in lieu of the report that was provided to the MPSW Joint Board meeting earlier in the day.

Introduction of New Department Leadership

The Section noted that these introductions were provided during the course of the MPSW Joint Board meeting.

Board Member Emergency Contact Form

Kimberly Wood informed the Section that the Division of Board Services is working to update its confidential emergency contact information. She indicated that members are encouraged to return completed forms prior to departure.

Annual Policy Review

Tom Ryan did not review the annual policy information contained in the agenda materials in lieu of the review he provided at the MPSW Joint Board meeting.

Board Member Appointments

Khyana Pumphrey made the following appointments:

- Credentialing & Education Review: Charles Lindsey/Leslie Mirkin
- Examination Liaison: Khyana Pumphrey
- Continuing Education: Charles Lindsey
- Legislative Liaison: Leslie Mirkin
- Travel Liaison: Nancy Clark
- Division of Enforcement Monitoring Liaison: Leslie Mirkin/Khyana Pumphrey – alternate
- Professional Assistance Procedure (PAP): Khyana Pumphrey/Leslie Mirkin – alternate
- Practice Question Liaison: Khyana Pumphrey
- Screening Panel: Nancy Clark, Khyana Pumphrey, Leslie Mirkin - alternate

STATUS OF RULES & STATUTES, COURT CASES & CASES IN HEARING

Colleen Baird referred to the report on the status of rules and statutes that she provided at the Joint Board meeting.

**PRESENTATION OF PROPOSED STIPULATIONS IN THE MATTER OF
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST
ANGELA J. HASTINGS, LPC (DOE CASE # 09 CPC 012)**

Jim Polewski, DOE Attorney, presented the proposed stipulation in the matter of Angela J. Hastings, LPC (DOE Case # 09 CPC 012). This matter will be deliberated in closed session.

CLASS 1 HEARINGS ON DENIAL OF APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE

Hearing on the Denial of Application for A Professional Counselor Training License of Carl Sirotzki

Colleen Baird provided the members of the Section with a letter from Attorney Sally Stix, representation for Carl Sirotzki. This letter requested that Mr. Sirotzki's request for an appeal hearing regarding the denial of a professional counselor training license be withdrawn.

Hearing on the Denial of Application for A Professional Counselor License of Amy Thomas

Amy Thomas appeared before the Section to support her appeal of the denial of her application for a professional counselor license. The Section will deliberate on this issue in closed session.

Hearing on the Denial of Application for A Professional Counselor Training License of Adam Moriwaki

Adam Moriwaki appeared before the Section to support his appeal of the denial of his application for a professional counselor training license. The Section will deliberate on this issue in closed session.

**REPORT TO THE SECTION OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF STATE
COUNSELING BOARDS – AASCB'S 24TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE JANUARY 5-8,
2011 LESLIE MIRKIN**

Leslie Mirkin reported to the Section regarding his experience at the AASCB 24th Annual Conference. He spoke highly of the conference and spoke to the opportunity for interaction with other jurisdictions and to learn and grow as a professional.

Leslie Mirkin provided the Section with highlights from the conference and touched on the areas he felt was relevant to the work of the Section.

Leslie Mirkin indicated that Ted Remley, founding president of AASCB, provided the keynote address. He informed the Section that Ted Remley spoke of the two roles of an examining board, which were protection of the public and advocating for the profession. Furthermore, Leslie Mirkin stated that the address included statements about the importance of treating applicants with dignity and respect and referenced the importance of ensuring that licensees are at least minimally competent.

Leslie Mirkin conveyed to the Section that there was tremendous emphasis on portability of licensure. The message received at AASCB is that licensure should not fragment a profession. Collaboration in promoting portability was strongly suggested at the conference.

Leslie Mirkin indicated that another area of emphasis was related to AASCB's 2020 initiative in advancements of the profession. He urged the members of the Section to review the American Counseling Association (ACA) or AASCB website for information on this initiative. As a part of the 2020 initiative a new counseling definition is provided. He stated that 31 organizations participated in this group and approved 7 principles that guide the profession. Leslie Mirkin indicated that something that came out of this group is the importance of providing fair evaluation of non-traditional applicants. He noted that the profession is moving toward 60 credit licensure requirements and indicated that Wisconsin has the lowest requirement in that it is current at 42 credits. Leslie Mirkin indicated that its low credit requirement makes portability to other states almost impossible. The Section briefly discussed its requirements for licensures versus that at the national level. A discussion of the Section's pursuit of changes to its licensure requirements ensued.

The Section was advised by Leslie Mirkin that the AASCB will hold its 25th Annual meeting in Charleston, SC on January 4–6, 2012. The Section discussed if travel funds would be available through AASCB. Leslie Mirkin indicated that his understanding is that the AASCB offers travel assistance to states that would otherwise be unable to attend.

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Nancy Clark moved, seconded by Leslie Mirkin, to convene to closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State statutes 19.85(1)(a)(b)(f) and (g), to consult with legal counsel to deliberate on proposed stipulations, deliberate on administrative warnings, deliberate on monitoring issues, application review, monitoring report and DOE case status reports. Roll Call Vote: Nancy Clark-yes; Leslie Mirkin-yes and Khyana Pumphrey-yes. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board convened into Closed Session at 2:59 p.m.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

MOTION: Leslie Mirkin moved, seconded by Nancy Clark, to reconvene into open session. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 4:37 p.m.

DELIBERATION ON CLASS 1 HEARINGS FOR APPLICATION DENIALS

CARL SIROTZKI

The request for a hearing relating to the denial of Carl Sirotzki's professional counselor training license was withdrawn and consideration of this item was removed from the agenda.

AMY THOMAS

MOTION: Nancy Clark moved, seconded by Leslie Mirkin, to find that the information presented by Ms. Thomas provides sufficient evidence of her completion of a three (3) credit supervised practicum, and to issue a professional counselor training license contingent upon completion of two (2) courses as identified by the National Board for Certified Counselors. Motion carried unanimously.

ADAM MORIWAKI

MOTION: Leslie Mirkin moved, seconded by Nancy Clark, to find that the information presented by Mr. Moriwaki provides sufficient evidence of his completion of an acceptable three (3) credit counseling theories course and to approve the issuance of a professional counselor training license. Motion carried unanimously.

DELIBERATION OF PROPOSED STIPULATIONS

ANGELA J. HASTINGS, LPC (09 CPC 012)

MOTION: Nancy Clark moved, seconded by Leslie Mirkin, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Stipulation and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Angela J. Hastings, LPC (09 CPC 012). Motion carried unanimously.

DIVISION OF ENFORCEMENT

Case Status Report

The Section reviewed a listing of its pending complaints.

Case Closings**07 CPC 011**

MOTION: Leslie Mirkin moved, seconded by Nancy Clark, to close case 07 CPC 011 for no violation. Motion carried unanimously.

**REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS
LPC FILE REVIEW 1/11/2011**

EDUCATION

Becker, Dana	Denied
O'Shea, Maureen	Approved
Smith, Kymberly	Approved
Wisneski, Michelle	Approved

EDUCATION

Hagen, Linda	Approved
Hillmann, Paula	Approved
Kelly, Carrie	Approved
Lever, Polly	Approved
Martin, Marcus	More Info
Ridley, Robyn	Approved

HOURS

Appel, Mary Beth	Approved
Drymalski, Walter "Matt"	Approved
Hagen, Linda	Approved
Jacklin, Aaron	Approved
Olson, Amy	Denied
Pfeifer, Catherine	Approved

SUPERVISOR

Chermak, Hillary	Approved – <i>Jill Wargolet</i>
Meyer, Robert "Zach"	Approved – <i>Chris Mazzarella</i>

RECIPROCITY

Franke, Amanda	Denied
Host, Andrea	Approved
Leute, Sarah	Approved
Zuchora-Walske, Ronald	Denied

MOTION: Nancy Clark moved, seconded by Leslie Mirkin, to approve the applications approved, deny the applications denied, and to request further information on applications where needed. Motion carried unanimously.

OTHER SECTION BUSINESS

Leslie Mirkin suggested that the members of the Section send individual letters to the Department Secretary noting their desire to have Jeff Scanlan reappointed as the Bureau Director for the Bureau of Health Service Professions.

The Section discussed a publication available through the American Counseling Association (ACA) outlining approved courses. The Section felt that this publication would be a valuable tool for the purpose of reviewing applications.

MOTION: Leslie Mirkin moved, seconded by Nancy Clark, to request that the Professional Counselor Section acquire the ACA book on reciprocal licensure. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Leslie Mirkin moved, seconded by Nancy Clark, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 4:44 p.m.